

## MAN WHO WROTE ANONYMOUSLY IS SHIELDED.

Miss Merritt's Friends Determined to Expose Youth for Whom She Was Accused.

PASTOR NOT MALICIOUS.

Mystery in Identity of Writer and His Protectors May be Cleared Up at Sunday School Meeting.

Who is shielding the real author of the letters to members of Hope Baptist Church, at Broadway and One Hundred and Fourth street, which handwriting expert Kinsey mistakenly ined were written by Miss Grace Merritt, and why is the real author shielded?

This question is agitating not only the congregation, but the whole neighborhood in Harlem surrounding the church. The opinion as to the innocence of Miss Merritt is about unanimous, and gossip bandies from tongue to tongue the name of a young man who is said to be the culprit.

If the friends of Miss Merritt in the church are able to accomplish it the name of this young man and the proof will be disclosed at a Sunday-school meeting to be held to-morrow night.

**Pastor Not Malicious.**  
The Evening World has gained much information that has not been printed previously in connection with this remarkable case. From this information it appears that Rev. Richard Hartley, the pastor, was innocent of malice when he called in Expert Kinsey and submitted to him some of the letters and a specimen of Miss Merritt's handwriting. Apparently he was honest in his belief that the letters were written by the girl.

While still a pupil in the Normal School she became engaged to marry George Jessup, a prominent young man in the church and the son of a widow. This engagement lasted until last November when it was terminated by a quarrel.

Shortly after this occurrence the letters began to circulate. They circulated in showers. Some of them were of the most scurrilous nature. The majority were printed with pen and ink, but some were written in a hand evidently disguised. Miss Merritt was among those who received the letters.

**Complaints Multiplied.**  
Complaints were made by members of the congregation to the pastor and to the deacons. The letters increased in number and annoying qualities. Finally, through one of the members of the congregation, Pastor Hartley was informed that Grace Merritt was the letter writer.

The pastor called in his friend Kinsey, who gave it as his opinion that the letters he had been given were written by Grace Merritt. Armed with this opinion and the documents, Pastor Hartley called a meeting of the deacons, and to this meeting Miss Merritt was summoned.

The girl faintly away before the tribunal and was carried to her home. The next day the sister of the pastor called upon her and told her that she believed that the real writer of the letters had not been named.

Now comes the superintendent of the Sunday-school with the statement that the letters were written by a young man who is well known. He offers proof. Other members of the congregation say that the young man they name wrote the letters. But back of all their statements is a reserve that is caused by some mysterious influence—the influence of one powerful in the affairs of the church.

Mr. Smith, the chief layman in the church, says that he does not believe that the girl wrote the letters. But when asked if he has an idea who the real culprit is he professes ignorance. It is hoped that the mystery will be cleared up to-morrow night, when witnesses will be called not only to clear the good name of Miss Merritt, but to establish the identity of the real culprit.

Many of the members of the congregation are in favor of calling in the Federal authorities as was done in the famous anonymous letter case at Norton, Conn., last winter, when a school teacher accused by a principal and his wife of writing anonymous, scurrilous letters, cleared herself and established the guilt of the wife of the principal. Many of the letters that the Hope Church disturber wrote are of a nature to make the writer shudder at recollection.

**Letters Were Printed.**  
The absolutely groundless position taken by Kinsey, who is an expert, is shown by the fact that the letters, which were written in many different hands, were all printed. That is, with pen and ink, the writer had carefully drawn each letter, and the letters were printed. These letters were printed with a sample of Miss Merritt's handwriting, which was secured by a letter in the case. From the letter in script the expert said he was able to tell that the printed letters were perpetrated by the same person.

It is now known that the letter writer went further than writing letters. A young married woman of the congregation received a most scurrilous letter, which purported to be a dynamite bomb, but which was a "fake." The young woman was greatly alarmed and reported the matter to Mr. Hartley. Through a man who has taken an active interest in the church affairs it is expected to prove the identity of the culprit, and the address on the envelope of which was printed in Roman letters. The man suspected of the matter was and put the matter up to him, and the sender admitted that it was he who sent it.

## LONG-LOST BOY FOUND IN ANXIOUS FATHER'S BARN.

Wilberforce Ogden, for Whom Bloodhounds Had Been Sent Out, Was Reading in Haymow, Where He Went to Get Quiet.

Having eluded the search of thousands of people, Wilberforce Ogden, who disappeared from his millionaire father's home a week ago last Sunday, was found to-day alive and well in the barn near his father's dwelling. During the ten days in which searching parties have been going through swamps and mountains the young man has been living comfortably in the hay mow.

He was discovered there to-day by accident by his own father. To-day was the twentieth anniversary of his birth, and his father, broken hearted, was wandering aimlessly about his estate trying to think of some spot where he or his friends had been looking for him.

At first he could see nothing but huge piles of hay. He saw a path leading back into the innermost recesses of the loft and concluded to go back.

**Meeting Was Affectionate.**  
There he found his son sitting quietly reading. The meeting between father and son was most affectionate. Mr. Ogden was almost overcome. The young man recognized his father and appeared delighted to see him.

The young man was immediately taken into his father's home and physicians summoned. After an examination and long talk with the young man the doctors pronounced him in better health, both mentally and physically, than before his disappearance. He was stronger and his mind was much clearer.

The melancholia which had attacked him previously, his departure had disappeared and the boy was in good spirits.

He explained to his father and the doctors that he had never left the family home. He said that after dressing himself last Sunday a week ago he had gone directly to the barn and climbed into the haymow.

The presence of the doctors and all the people about the house worried him and he wanted absolute quiet, he told his father.

Mr. Ogden in searching the barn found that the young man had made himself a bed of hay and was in a comfortable position. He had been well supplied with food. He had removed from the house books of a theological nature and had

spent his days in reading. When night came he said he took short walks about the neighborhood and searched for food. Every night, he said, after the lights in the house had been extinguished he went to the family kitchen and removed what food he needed for the next day. He said he had been very contented and that he was feeling so much better that within the next few days he intended to present himself at the house.

He said he knew his disappearance would cause his father much worry, but that he felt that his health demanded quiet, and he had taken the best plan available to secure that quiet. He knew his father would never permit him to leave the house without a nurse, and that he did not want to be bothered with one.

**Believed He Was Dead.**  
The young man should have been able to remain concealed about the barn for so great a length of time is regarded as most remarkable by everybody. When his disappearance became known thousands of the friends of his father immediately started a search for him.

Milkmen and farmers reported having seen a thin, dark, and ragged man, herding in pale blue, sitting at the foot of a statue of Venus, similar in gesture to Allegretti's "Dianna," which was in the garden at Louveciennes. The King, a shepherd in silk, appears on the ladder that he has ascended to the terrace, and she motions to wait with fear expressed in her attitude.

**She Runs Away.**  
In the second panel, the "Purcell," she runs away from him. He carries a rose in his hand. Her companions are a girl in a blue dress, a girl in a red dress, and a girl in a green dress. The King is in the background, looking on.

The pictures will be brought to America very soon. Mr. Morgan himself is now on the ocean. The winter will be spent in framing the masterpieces and in preparing them for prominent places in the Metropolitan Museum of Art, in Fifth avenue. A place will be cleared out for the pictures in the museum, and here the panels will be hung. Some of the trustees confidently hope that the collection can be placed on view at the fall opening.

**NEW TRANSVAAL-GOLD.**  
Field Believed to Be Equal to Famous Witwatersrand.  
JOHANNESBURG, Transvaal, Aug. 14.—Considerable excitement has been created here by the discovery of a new gold reef, which is said to traverse a large extent of territory.

Local geologists think the strike is a continuation of the Witwatersrand main series, but the discoverers declare that they have found new gold fields that will be the equal in size of the Witwatersrand.

**Russians Delay Chinese Railway.**  
PEKING, Aug. 14.—The restoration of the Peking-Shan-Hai-Kwan Railway is being delayed by the Russians, who refuse to relinquish the new Chwang-Shan-Hai-Kwan section unless they are allowed to have a say in the management of the line.



WILBERFORCE OGDEN.

swamp he had died of exposure or drowning. All the lowlands were huge pools of water from the recent rains. Bloodhounds were used in the search, but for some reason they could not get on the scent and were useless. Practically every corner of the swamp was searched. Men who were engaged in searching declare that except for the barn every foot of ground within twenty-five miles of the Ogden home had been thoroughly explored.

Young Ogden returned to his home from the Vermont Theological Seminary about two months ago, broken in mind and body. He had been studying extremely hard, and being unable to complete a certain prescribed course, worried greatly about it. He became melancholy, and the school officials decided to send him to his home.

His father immediately employed the best physicians and nurses, and the young man was under treatment. He did not respond, and after being left alone by his nurse, got up quietly early Sunday morning a week ago, dressed himself and, until to-day, that was the last seen of him.

Young Mr. Ogden told his father that he had frequently observed the crowd of searchers about his home, and had also seen his father upon a number of occasions.

## CRUSHED IN BROADWAY BUILDING.

Derrick Broke at Sixteenth Street, Dropping Iron Girder Into Group of Workmen.

TWO ARE LIKELY TO DIE.

Three Others Badly Hurt—Supt. William Gottlieb Arrested and Held in the West Thirtieth Street Station.

By the breaking of a derrick boom an iron girder was dropped four stories in the new building in course of construction at the northwest corner of Sixteenth street and Broadway to-day.

These workmen were injured.

**Fatally Injured.**  
CULLINAN, CLARENCE, of No. 120 Ninth street, Hoboken, crushed under derrick girder; taken to New York Hospital.

**Seriously Injured.**  
STEVENS, CHARLES A., No. 112 East One Hundred and Tenth street.

**Tripp, John, No. 621 East Sixteenth street.**

VOGEL, JOHN, No. 315 Broome street. Cullinan was standing on top of the upright which was struck. He fell to the ground like a shot. Stevens was at the apex of the derrick. He was knocked from the place where he was standing and fell between the two masts, being squeezed between them so that he did not fall to the ground. Down below, on the street floor, there were a large number of men at work. These scattered in all directions as the cross beam and the upright fell. McDarby and Tripp were struck by flying debris and injured. A rivet boy, Charles Vogel, at work heating rivets at a small forge, was slightly injured, and the forge was smashed to atoms, the pieces being scattered far and wide. Four other men were standing by the forge and they managed to escape, though narrowly. The work is being done by the Fuller Construction Company.

**Cause of the Accident.**  
The skeleton steel work is built up as far as the fourth story, but there are no supports above the second floor. On a platform on the third floor level, at the extreme western end of the building, is a derrick with a boom weighing 700 pounds for use in hoisting girders to be put in place by the workmen.

The pin that held the boom to the main derrick structure snapped while a girder was being hoisted. The great piece of iron crashed down, striking in its flight one of the uprights on the third floor on the Sixth street side. This was dislodged and fell to the street.

The injured men, who were all workers, were directly under it. Cullinan and Stevens were caught underneath the beam and frightfully crushed. The others succeeded in reaching the shelter of a pile of timbers, which shielded them to some extent. No damage was done by the girder which fell from the derrick.

William Gottlieb, the superintendent in charge of the work, was arrested by Roundsman Bauer and taken to the West Thirtieth street station, where the sergeant held him to await the result of the injuries to Cullinan and Stevens. Work on the building was not interrupted by the accident, but considerable excitement was caused in the Decker studio building, next door, and in Union Square.

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Funeral on Friday, Aug. 15, at 2 P. M.

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## CARMENCITA IS REPORTED DEAD

Dancer, Who Was Once the Vogue in New York, Said to Have Died in Rio Janeiro.

HER REIGN WHILE HERE

After Being the Rage of the City for a While Her Popularity Waned and She Had Small Success.

News of the death of Carmencita, the Spanish dancer, comes from Rio Janeiro by way of Berlin. The famous interpreter of the insinuating cachaeca is said to have fallen a victim to yellow fever.

Brief as is the announcement and though it was the first news friends of the dancer here had received of her in many years, it was believed, inasmuch as Carmencita, since the fickle American public withdrew its support from her, had spent her time dancing in the smaller European cities and the South American capitals.

Carmencita attained a remarkable vogue in this country after her appearance here in a Krazy spectacle at Niblo's Theatre. Her whirlwind gyrations were entirely unique at the time and she was soon town talk. Later when she appeared at Koster & Blais' in West Twenty-third street, the house was not big enough to hold the audiences.

**ILLINOIS COAL COMBINE.**

New Jersey Corporation Has Options on Springfield District Mines.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Aug. 14.—The coal mines in the Springfield district are to be purchased by a New Jersey corporation known as the Illinois Coal and Coke Company, and will be operated under one management.

Options on twenty-three of the mines near this city have been secured by Newton Jackson, of Philadelphia, who heads the corporation.

The deal involves \$2,000,000. The company will be formally organized at a meeting in Jersey City this week. It is stated.

**QUITS WESTERN UNION.**

Boston Manager Resigns After a Score of Years Service.

After more than a score of years service as Superintendent of the Western Union Telegraph Company in Boston, Thomas Roche has resigned, Sept. 1 being the date named for change to take effect.

Few men are more widely known in the telegraph business in New England than Mr. Roche.

It is expected that C. B. Page, of Cincinnati, will be appointed superintendent in Boston.

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Nature assists body-cleaning by sending the filth out through the pores of the skin. It is not safe to stop perspiring altogether but most of the impure matter should be sent out by the natural movements of the bowels, and the offensive, ill-smelling, linen-staining sweat done away with. Keep your bowels strong all summer with the pleasant, candy cathartic CASCARETS, that clean the system and don't allow the excrement to be sweated out through the pores. Take a tablet every night, before going to bed. They work while you sleep and make you feel fine and cool all day.



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Guar gum, 1/2 pound, 10c	Mason Jar Jelly, good quality, 10c	White Pepper, per can.....9c
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